

The Connecticut State **Board of Natureopathic Examiners** held a meeting on February 4, 2000 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:30 AM.

I. **MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of December 15, 1999. Dr. Murphy moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Dr. Raistrick. The motion passed unanimously.

II. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Dr. Murphy read aloud Dr. Ahmed Currim's letter of January 27, 2000. The Board drafted and adopted a letter of response to Dr. Currim, dated February 4, 2000, which articulates that Natureopathic physicians may utilize the following terms in their professional literature or advertising: Specializing in Homeopathy; Treatment by homeopathic medicines; Homeopathic treatments; Classical Homeopathy; Natureopathic physician using Homeopathic medications or medicines; Any listing of practice modalities which include Homeopathy as one of the modalities of practice.

Our Board agrees that the terms Homeopathic Physician, Homeopathic Doctor, Homeopath, or Homeopathic practitioner should be reserved for Connecticut Homeopathic Physicians. Dr. Raistrick moved and Dr. Murphy seconded to adopt the letter to Homeopathic Chairman, Ahmed Currim. The motion passed unanimously. The letter will be sent to Dr. Currim today.

III. **BOARD MEMBER VACANCY**

Jeffrey Kardys apprised the Board that he has spoken with the Governor's Office regarding the vacancy of a Public Member. The Governor's Office indicated that they are working on it.

IV. **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Murphy moved and Dr. Raistrick seconded that this meeting be adjourned at 10:05 AM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on April 14, 2000 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jennifer Filippone, Health Program Supervisor
Marianne Horn, Assistant Attorney General

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:04 AM.

I. **MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of February 4, 2000. Dr. Murphy moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Dr. Raistrick. The motion passed unanimously.

II. **JENNIFER FILIPPONE, HEALTH PROGRAM SUPERVISOR-RECIPROCITY**

Jennifer Filippone, Health Program Supervisor, stated that there is no provision in the statutes for reciprocity. Students must pass (NPLEX) test and graduate from a CNME accredited school. In other professions there is an endorsement clause in the statutes. The statutes that govern the practice of Naturopathy do not include this provision. It is the Board's desire that the Department coordinate with the Board in drafting and submitting new statutory language that contains an endorsement clause, to the legislature. Jennifer Filippone will discuss this issue with Debra Tomassone, Public Health Services Manager, Health Systems Regulation.

III. **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Murphy moved and Dr. Raistrick seconded that this meeting be adjourned at 9:50 AM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on September 8, 2000 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jennifer Filippone, Health Program Supervisor
Marianne Horn, Assistant Attorney General
Tresti Quiller, Licensing Examinations Assistant

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:10 AM.

I. **MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of April 14, 2000. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to accept the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

II. **DECLARATORY RULING**

The Board reviewed the Declaratory Ruling with Assistant Attorney General Marianne Horn. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the Declaratory Ruling as edited. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Horn will mail the final version of the ruling to Dr. Murphy for signature who will forward it to the Board Liaison for distribution to the Parties and Intervenors.

III. **LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT**

Jennifer Filippone, Health Program Supervisor, reported that the Department of Public Health supports a change to the Natureopathic Licensure statutes which would allow for licensure by endorsement. The Department will draft language which will be submitted for the 2002 legislative session.

IV. **UNIVERSITY OF BRIDGEPORT**

Dr. Murphy reported that the University Of Bridgeport College of Naturopathic Medicine has received accreditation from the State of Connecticut Department of Education.

V. **BURL DAVID FILKOFF, ND - PETITION NO. 970910-005-002**

Dr. Filkoff has submitted a letter requesting reinstatement of his license. This matter will be placed on the November 3, 2000 agenda for review of Dr. Filkoff's request and the Department of Public Health response.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Murphy moved and Dr. Raistrick seconded that this meeting be adjourned at 9:45 AM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on November 3, 2000 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Eileen Meskill, Assistant Attorney General
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison
Tresti Quiller, Licensing Examinations Assistant

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:04 AM.

I. MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of September 8, 2000. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to accept the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

II. BURL DAVID FILKOFF, ND - REINSTATEMENT REQUEST, PETITION NO. 970910-005-002

Assistant Attorney General, Eileen Meskill was present to advise the Board regarding Dr. Filkoff's request for reinstatement of his license. Dr. Filkoff was present. Staff Attorney David Tilles was present on behalf of the Department of Public Health. The Board entertained discussion from Dr. Filkoff and Attorney Tilles.

Upon a motion by Dr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Raistrick, the Board entered Executive Session from 9:55 a.m. to 10:25 a.m. to confer with the Assistant Attorney General.

Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to table this matter to the next Board meeting. The Board suggested that Dr. Filkoff and the Department of Public Health present additional information to the Board at the next meeting.

III. MEETING DATES FOR 2001

The following meeting dates will be scheduled for the year 2001:

February 2, 2001

April 6, 2001

September 7, 2001

November 9, 2001

All meetings will be scheduled for 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Murphy moved and Dr. Raistrick seconded that this meeting be adjourned at 10:35 AM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on February 2, 2001 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Eileen Meskill, Assistant Attorney General
Debra Tomassone, Public Health Services Manager
David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:03 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of November 3, 2000. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to accept the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

II. BURL DAVID FILKOFF, ND - REINSTATEMENT REQUEST, PETITION NO. 970910-005-002

Assistant Attorney General, Eileen Meskill was present to advise the Board regarding Dr. Filkoff's request for reinstatement of his license. Dr. Filkoff was present. Staff Attorney David Tilles was present on behalf of the Department of Public Health. The Board entertained discussion from Dr. Filkoff and Attorney Tilles.

A decision on Dr. Filkoff's request for reinstatement will be taken up at the April 6, 2001 meeting. The Board requests that progress reports from Dr. Filkoff's Rabbi be submitted within one week of today's meeting and one week prior to the April meeting.

III. COUNCIL ON NATUROPATHIC MEDICAL EDUCATION

Dr. Murphy reported that on January 16, 2001 the United States Department of Education order that the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education (CNME) is no longer recognized by the Department of Education as an accrediting body for naturopathic programs. Despite the Department of Education ruling the Board will continue to use the CNME as an accrediting body.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Murphy moved and Dr. Raistrick seconded that this meeting be adjourned at 10:50 a.m.. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on April 6, 2001 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Eileen Meskill, Assistant Attorney General
David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:15 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of February 2, 2001. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to accept the minutes as edited. The motion passed unanimously.

II. BURL DAVID FILKOFF, ND - REINSTATEMENT REQUEST, PETITION NO. 970910-005-002

Assistant Attorney General, Eileen Meskill was present to advise the Board regarding Dr. Filkoff's request for reinstatement of his license. Dr. Filkoff was present. Staff Attorney David Tilles was present on behalf of the Department of Public Health.

Dr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Raistrick, to approve a settlement agreement with Dr. Filkoff. The agreement requires Dr. Filkoff to withdraw his appeal of the Board's February 1999 Memorandum of Decision revoking his license, and to withdraw his request for license reinstatement which is pending before the Board. In turn the Board will reinstate Dr. Filkoff's license to probationary status with conditions. The motion passed unanimously. The settlement agreement was signed by Dr. Filkoff and Dr. Murphy.

III. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Dr. Murphy read correspondence received from Griffin Hospital, Derby, Connecticut.

Dr. Murphy reported he had a conversation with Peter Martin at the University of Bridgeport. The University Of Bridgeport College of Naturopathic Medicine has been granted candidacy for accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Murphy moved and Dr. Raistrick seconded that this meeting be adjourned at 10:05 a.m.. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on September 7, 2001 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman

ALSO PRESENT: Eileen Meskill, Assistant Attorney General
Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager
Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Raistrick at 9:20 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from April 6, 2001, will be reviewed at the November 9, 2001 meeting.

II. BURL DAVID FILKOFF, ND - Monitoring Update

Assistant Attorney General, Eileen Meskill and Bonnie Pinkerton, RN, Nurse Consultant, Department of Public Health were present to provide an update concerning Dr. Filkoff.

This matter will be taken up at the November meeting.

III. APPROVED SCHOOLS OF NATUREOPATHIC MEDICAL EDUCATION

This matter will be taken up at the November meeting.

IV. LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT

Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager reported that proposed language will be forwarded to the legislature.

This matter will be taken up again at the November meeting.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on November 9, 2001 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

<i>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:</i>	Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
<i>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:</i>	None
<i>ALSO PRESENT:</i>	Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor, DPH Richard Goldman, Paralegal Specialist, DPH Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:10 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the April 6, 2001 and September 27, 2001 meetings were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

II. BURL DAVID FILKOFF, ND - Monitoring Update

Richard Goldman, Paralegal Specialist, Department of Public Health reported that Dr. Filkoff has been complaint with the terms of his probation. Dr. Filkoff has attended his first therapy session. Dr. Filkoff has until April 2002 to complete a course in boundary issues.

III LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT

Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that draft language regarding licensure by endorsement has been forwarded to the Office of Policy and Management for review, prior to going to the legislature..

IV. APPROVED SCHOOLS OF NATUREOPATHIC MEDICAL EDUCATION

Dr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Raistrick, that pursuant §20-37, only those schools accredited by or in candidacy status with the Council on Natureopathic Medical Education are recognized by the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

V. PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY

The public member position on the Board still remains vacant.

VI. MEETING DATES 2002

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for the year 2002:

February 1, 2002

April 5, 2002

September 6, 2002

November 8, 2002

All meetings will be scheduled for 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

VII ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on February 15, 2002 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

<i>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:</i>	Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
<i>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:</i>	None
<i>ALSO PRESENT:</i>	Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:10 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the November 9, 2001 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion passed unanimously.

II PROPOSED LEGISLATION - LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT

The Board reviewed the draft language regarding licensure by endorsement, which was prepared by the Department of Public Health. Both Dr. Murphy and Dr. Raistrick are in agreement with the proposed language.

III. PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY

The public member position on the Board remains vacant. The Office of the Governor is aware of the vacancy

IV. NATUREOPATHIC LICENSING EXAMINATION

Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager discussed the natureopathic licensing examination with the Board. Pursuant §20-37 of the Connecticut General Statutes an applicant for licensure must pass an examination prescribed by the Department of Public Health with the advice and consent of the Board. Currently applicants must pass Part II of the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examination (NPLEX). The Department requests that passing of Part I of the NPLEX, the Basic Science Examination, also be required of applicants.

Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick that successful completion of both Parts I and II of the NPLEX shall be required of applicants seeking licensure as a Natureopathic Physician in Connecticut. The motion passed unanimously.

V. BURL DAVID FILKOFF, ND - Scheduling of Hearing

A hearing in the matter of Burl D. Filkoff, ND, Petition No. 2001-1205-005-001 will be scheduled for Friday April 5, 2002. The hearing will commence at 10:00 a.m.

VI. CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD DECLARATORY RULING ON LASER HAIR REMOVAL

Discussion regarding the Connecticut Medical Examining Board declaratory ruling on laser hair removal will take place at the April 5, 2002 Board meeting. The Natureopathic Board feels that Natureopathic Physicians should be allowed to perform laser hair removal because the practice act for natureopathy allows for phototherapy.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on April 5, 2002 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Marianne Horn, Assistant Attorney General
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:05 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the February 15, 2002 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion passed unanimously.

II OLD BUSINESS

Laser Hair Removal

Dr. Murphy read a letter from Robert Lofft, Executive Director, The Council on Naturopathic Medical Education, which listed modalities employed by Natureopathic Physicians. Dr. Murphy also read a letter from Peter Martin, ND, Dean, University of Bridgeport College of Naturopathic Medicine. Dr. Martin indicates that the College is interested in offering training in advanced techniques such as the use of laser photo-therapy for hair removal.

The Board reiterates its position that laser hair removal is allowable by the practice act provided that the practitioner has adequate education and training in the procedure. The Board feels that laser therapy is considered photo therapy as defined in Connecticut General Statute §20-34.

Assistant Attorney General Marianne Horn who was present for this discussion expressed serious reservations as to the Board's interpretation that laser hair reduction was photo therapy.

Dr. Murphy will communicate further with the Office of the Attorney General.

III. BURL DAVID FILKOFF, ND

Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges Based on Voluntary Surrender of License

Staff Attorney Matthew Antonetti, presented the Department of Public Health's Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges in the matter of Burl David Filkoff, ND. Respondent was not present or represented. Dr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Raistrick, to grant the Department of Public Health's Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges based on Dr. Filkoff's surrender his license. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Murphy signed the Order.

IV. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

A. Substitute House Bill No. 582 - Continuing Education

The Board signed a letter to Toni Harp and Mary Eberle, co-chairs of the Legislative Public Health Committee expressing the Board's opposition to this proposed legislation.

B. Advertisement of Unlicensed Practitioner

The Board reviewed an advertisement of Patricia Margaitis, PhD, Litchfield, Connecticut. The Board feels that Ms. Margaitis', who is not licensed as a Natureopathic Physician, is advertising the practice of natureopathy. The will refer this matter to the investigation unit of the Department of Public Health.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10 :30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on September 27, 2002 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Richard Lynch, Assistant Attorney General
Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison
Richard Cooper, ND
Marlene Mammone, ND
K. Pramila Vishvanath, ND
Gabriele Kallenborn, ND
Helene Pulnik, ND
Darin Ingels, ND
James Spring, ND
Keith Zeitun, ND
Mark Rudderham, ND

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:30 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the April 5, 2002 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

II OLD BUSINESS

Proposed Legislation - Licensure by Endorsement

This legislation was not passed during the 2002 legislative session. The Department of Public Health is including this proposal in its legislative package for 2003. The Board supports this proposed legislation.

Natureopathic use of lasers for hair removal

The Board reviewed letters from Robert Lofft, Executive Director, The Council on Naturopathic Medical Education, and from Andrew Rubman, ND.

Assistant Attorney General Richard Lynch was present for this discussion.

The Board was informed that there are a couple of options available to deal with this issue. The Board can seek an Attorney General's Opinion as to whether the use of lasers are allowed under the practice act or legislation can be pursued regarding this issue.

The Connecticut Society of Natureopathic Physicians will send a letter to the Board regarding this issue. A meeting with the Commissioner of Public Health will also be pursued.

III NEW BUSINESS

First National University of Natureopathic Medicine

Assistant Attorney General Richard Lynch was present for this discussion. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to enter executive session to obtain advice from the Assistant Attorney General. The motion passed and the Board entered executive session from 10:00 a.m. until 10:20 a.m.

Following executive session it was determined that the Department of Public Health will send a letter to the First National University of Natureopathic Medicine outlining the requirements to sit for the national examination and the requirements for licensure in Connecticut.

IV. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

A. Advertisement of Unlicensed Practitioner

The Board reviewed a business card of Sharon Rosa, Ph.D., Oakville, Connecticut in which she uses the designation “*ND”. The Board feels that Ms. Rosa, who is not licensed as a Natureopathic Physician in Connecticut, is advertising the practice of natureopathy although the business card indicates she is “Board Certified in Washington, D.C.”

The Board will refer this matter to the investigation unit of the Department of Public Health for review.

The Board also reviewed an article, which was referred by Andrew Rubman, ND. The article mentions a Linda Rivera, RN. The article uses the initials “N.D.” when referring to Ms. Rivera. Dr. Rubman questions whether “N.D.” can be used as a designation for a degree of Doctorate in Nursing. The Board will refer this matter to the investigation unit of the Department of Public Health for review.

B. November Board Meeting

The Board meeting scheduled for November 8, 2002 will be rescheduled to November 1, 2002.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The **Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners** held a meeting on November 1, 2002 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager
Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison
Andrew Rubman, ND

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:12 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the September 27, 2002 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

II OLD BUSINESS

Natureopathic use of lasers for hair removal

Dr. Murphy read a letter dated October 16, 2002, which he sent to Assistant Attorney General, Richard Lynch concerning this issue.

Dr. Murphy will send a letter to Joxel Garcia, MD, Commissioner, Department of Public Health, inviting him to the next Board meeting to discuss this matter.

First National University of Natureopathic Medicine

Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor, Department of Public Health sent a letter to the First National University of Natureopathic Medicine outlining the requirements for licensure in Connecticut.

III NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Dates 2003

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for the year 2003:

January 31, 2003

April 4, 2003

September 5, 2003

November 7, 2003

All meetings will be scheduled for 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

IV. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Proposed Legislation - Licensure by Endorsement

Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager reported that the Department of Public Health will include this proposal in its legislative package for 2003. The Board supports this proposed legislation.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The **Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners** held a meeting on January 31, 2003 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager
Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:03 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the November 1, 2002 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

II NEW BUSINESS

A. Consent Order - Patricia Margaitis, Ph.D., LCSW - Petition No. 2002-0614-000-035

Staff Attorney Stephen Miltimore presented a Cease and Desist Consent Order in the matter of Patricia Margaitis, Ph.D., LCSW who was advertising natureopathic services without holding a license. Dr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Raistrick, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Murphy signed the order.

B. United States School of Naturopathy & Allied Sciences

The Board reviewed a letter the Department of Public Health sent to the United States School of Naturopathy & Allied Sciences advising that graduates of said school are not eligible for licensure in Connecticut because said school is not accredited by the Council on Natureopathic Medical Education.

III OLD BUSINESS

A. Natureopathic use of lasers for hair removal

Cynthia Denne, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Healthcare Systems for the Department of Public Health was present to discuss this issued with the Board.

The Board reiterates its position that the practice act for natureopathic physicians allows for the use of lasers for hair removal as well as for the treatment of other conditions such as varicose veins. Natureopathic Colleges are willing to offer courses on the use of lasers. The Board requests that the Department of Public Health not enforce the Connecticut Medical Examining Board Declaratory Ruling concerning laser hair removal with respect to natureopathic physicians.

Ms. Denne advised that at this time it would not be in the best interest of natureopathic physicians for the Board to say that the use of lasers is allowed.

Ms. Denne assured the Board that prior to any action being taken, she would communicate with Dr. Murphy after discussion with the Assistant Attorney General and the Commissioner of Public Health.

Ms. Denne asked that the Board refrain from stating an opinion for one month.

IV. APPROVED SCHOOLS OF NATUREOPATHIC MEDICAL EDUCATION

Dr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Raistrick, that pursuant §20-37, only those schools accredited by or in candidacy status with the Council on Natureopathic Medical Education are recognized by the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board submits the following list to the Department of Public Health as being the approved list of natureopathic colleges or institutions from which graduates are eligible for licensure in Connecticut.

Bastyr University
Naturopathic Medicine Program
14500 Juanita Drive, N.E.
Kenmore, Washington 98028-4966
425.823.1300
425.823.6222
<http://www.bastyr.edu>

The Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine
1255 Sheppard Avenue East
North York, Ontario M2K 1E2
Canada
(P) 416.498.1255
(F) 416.498.1576
<http://ccnm.edu>

National College of Naturopathic Medicine
Naturopathic Medicine Program
049 S.W. Porter
Portland, Oregon 97201
(P) 503.499.4343
(F) 503.499.0022
<http://ncnm.edu>

Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine & Health Sciences
2140 E. Broadway Road
Tempe, Arizona 85282
(P) 480.858.9100
(F) 480.858.0222
<http://www.scnm.edu>

College of Naturopathic Medicine
University of Bridgeport
60 Lafayette Street
Bridgeport, Connecticut 06601
(P) 203.576.4109
(F) 203.576.4107
<http://www.bridgeport.edu/naturopathy>

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The **Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners** held a meeting on April 4, 2003 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:20 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the January 31, 2003 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

II OLD BUSINESS

A. Natureopathic use of lasers for hair removal

Dr. Murphy read a letter dated February 7, 2003, from Joxel Garcia, MD, Commissioner, Department of Public Health to Richard Blumenthal, Attorney General, State of Connecticut seeking a formal opinion on the following questions:

1. Does "phototherapy" as used in Connecticut General Statute Section 20-34, incorporate the use of laser therapy equipment?"
2. Does the State Board of Natureopathic Examiners have the authority to expand its scope of practice either with or without the consent of the Commissioner?

Subsequently the Board sent a letter to Attorney General Blumenthal, dated February 27, 2003, requesting that the following question be added to the Commissioners request for a formal opinion:

Does the Department of Public Health's use of the 1997 Connecticut Medical Examining Board's declaratory ruling on the use of lasers for hair removal, to prohibit a licensed natureopathic physician from employing laser hair removal, constitute an unfair restriction of trade?

The Office of the Attorney General has not acknowledged the Board's February 27, 2003 request.

III. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM

Basic Science requirements

Dr. Murphy received an inquiry that a student at the University of Bridgeport has a question regarding the basic science requirements and the state licensure examination

Effective January 1, 2003, the Board in conjunction with the Department of Public Health, requires all applicants pass the basic science and clinical science portions of the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examination (NPLEX).

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The **Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners** held a meeting on September 5, 2003 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

Dr. Murphy called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the April 4, 2003 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

II OLD BUSINESS

A. United States School of Naturopathy & Allied Sciences

Dr. Murphy read a letter sent to the school from Richard Lynch, Assistant Attorney General.

A. Natureopathic use of lasers for hair removal

This matter is still being reviewed by the Office of the Attorney General. The Board still has not received an acknowledgement to the Board's February 27, 2003 letter concerning this issue.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Public Act 03-252

The Board reviewed section seven of this act, which will allow for licensure by endorsement for natureopathic physicians effective October 1, 2003. Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor reported that a state law examination will be required of endorsement applicants. In addition candidates must have passed the basic sciences portion of the national examination. The examination unit of the Department will review applications on a case by case basis to determine from which states endorsement will be allowed. Currently 12 states including Connecticut regulate the practice of natureopathy.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business Dr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Raistrick, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on November 7, 2003 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:12 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the September 5, 2003 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as edited. The motion passed unanimously.

II OLD BUSINESS

Natureopathic use of lasers.

Dr. Murphy reported that he spoke to Assistant Attorney General, Richard Lynch. and was told that both the Department of Public Health and the Board's questions regarding this issue will be addressed by the Attorney General.

III NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Dates 2004

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for the year 2004:

February 6, 2004

April 2, 2004

September 10, 2004

November 5, 2004

All meetings will be scheduled for 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on March 12, 2004 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison
Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor, DPH

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:01 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the November 7, 2003 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

II OLD BUSINESS

Natureopathic use of lasers.

Dr. Murphy reported that he spoke to Assistant Attorney General, Henry Salton who indicated that a draft opinion is being reviewed at the Office of the Attorney General. Assistant Attorney General Rosemary McGovern is working on the draft opinion.

Dr. Murphy stated that he will write a letter to Assistant Attorney General Richard Lynch concerning the timeliness of this matter.

III. APPROVED SCHOOLS OF NATUREOPATHIC MEDICAL EDUCATION

Dr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Raistrick, that pursuant §20-37, only those schools accredited by or in candidacy status with the Council on Natureopathic Medical Education are recognized by the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board submits the following list to the Department of Public Health as being the approved list of natureopathic colleges or institutions from which graduates are eligible for licensure in Connecticut.

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IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Licensure/Examination Statistics

Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor presented licensure statistics for natureopathic physicians. There were a total of 28 new licenses issued and 2 license reinstatements during 2003.

There were 179 active licenses at the end of 2003. There are 9 applicants scheduled to take the State law examination in April 2004.

B. Reschedule April 2004 meeting

The meeting scheduled for April 2, 2004 will be rescheduled to a date in May 2004.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on May 21, 2004 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison
Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager, DPH
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:05 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the March 12, 2004 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

II OLD BUSINESS

Natureopathic use of lasers.

Dr. Murphy read a March 15, 2004 letter he wrote to Assistant Attorney General Richard Lynch requesting that advice from the Assistant Attorney General be sent to the Board in a timely manner.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor reported that there is one natureopathic physician case is being investigated by the Department of Public Health. The case involves an allegation of exceeding the scope of practice.

Mr. Griffin asked for suggestions for natureopathic physician consultants. The Board recommended the following individuals:

William Nager, ND - West Hartford, CT

Robin Ritterman, ND - Hamden, CT

Keith Zeitlin, ND – Cheshire, CT

B. Basic Science requirement

Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager, Department of Public Health discussed the basic science requirement for applicants who have been admitted to a natureopathic education program with advanced standing.

Dr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Raistrick, that the requirement for completing the basic sciences examination will be waived for licensure applicants who have been admitted with advanced standing to a natureopathic education program. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Raistrick made a motion, seconded by Dr. Murphy that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on September 10, 2004 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:02 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the May 21, 2004 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

II OLD BUSINESS

Natureopathic use of lasers.

The Board reviewed an Attorney General Opinion dated August 13, 2004 which states that

- 1) "the term phototherapy found in Conn. Gen Stat. § 20-34 does not include the use of laser equipment."
- 2) "the State Board of Natureopathic Examiners may not unilaterally determine the scope of Natureopathic practice."
- 3) the Commissioner of Public Health may rely on a Connecticut Medical Examining Board declaratory ruling and "this cannot be characterized as an unfair restriction of trade."

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor reported that there is one natureopathic physician case is being investigated by the Department of Public Health.

IV. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

A. Dr. Murphy read a letter to Governor M. Jodi Rell, dated September 9, 2004, resigning as a member and chairman of the Board. Dr. Murphy offers to remain as chairman through the end of 2004.

B. The Board reviewed a letter received from Waterbury Hospital asking if the ordering of tests is within the scope of practice of Natureopathic Physicians. The Board commented that ordering of laboratory and imaging tests is within the scope of practice of Natureopathic Medicine.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Raistrick made a motion, seconded by Dr. Murphy that the meeting be adjourned at 9:28 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on November 19, 2004 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Murphy, ND, Chairman
Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Murphy at 9:20 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the September 10, 2004 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Murphy made a motion seconded by Dr. Raistrick to approve the minutes as edited. The motion passed unanimously.

II NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Dates 2005

The following meeting dates, subject to change, have been scheduled for the year 2005:

February 11, 2005

May 13, 2005

September 23, 2005

November 18, 2005

All meetings will be scheduled for 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Raistrick made a motion, seconded by Dr. Murphy that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on May 20, 2005 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman
James Dillman
Jonathan E. Goodman, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Raistrick at 9:20 a.m.

Mr. Dillman and Dr. Goodman were welcomed to their first meeting as Board members.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the November 19, 2004 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Raistrick made a motion seconded by Dr. Goodman to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

II NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are two cases involving natureopathic physicians currently being investigated by the Department. Mr. Griffin gave a brief overview of the complaint/investigation process.

B. Approved Schools of Natureopathic Medical Education

Dr. Raistrick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dillman, that pursuant §20-37, only those schools accredited by or in candidacy status with the Council on Natureopathic Medical Education are recognized by the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board submits the following list to the Department of Public Health as being the approved list of natureopathic colleges or institutions from which graduates are eligible for licensure in Connecticut.

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C. Licensure/Examination Statistics

Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are currently 197 natureopathic physicians licensed in Connecticut. 134 have Connecticut addresses and 63 reside out of state.

For 2004, 31 new licenses were issued by Department and one license was reinstated.

III. **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Raistrick made a motion, seconded by Dr. Goodman that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 a.m.
The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on September 23, 2005 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Law Library, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman
James Dillman
Jonathan E. Goodman, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Raistrick at 9:09 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the May 20, 2005 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Raistrick made a motion seconded by Mr. Dillman to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

II NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there is one cases involving a natureopathic physician currently being investigated by the Department. In addition, one case that was under investigation has been dismissed and no further action is necessary.

B. Resolution regarding compliance meetings.

At the request of the Office of the Attorney General, the Board has been asked to adopt a resolution regarding compliance meetings.

Dr. Goodman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dillman, to adopt the following resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION

In accordance with past practice and the Supreme Court's decision in Tele Tech of Connecticut Corporation v. Department of Public Utility Control, 270 Conn. 778 (2004), it is hereby acknowledged that the Department of Public Health has the authority to hold compliance meetings as required by Conn. Gen. Stat § 4-182(c).

III. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Raistrick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dillman that the meeting be adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on January 20, 2006 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Law Library, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman
James Dillman
Jonathan E. Goodman, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Raistrick at 9:00 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the September 23, 2005 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Goodman made a motion seconded by Mr. Dillman to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

II NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there is one case involving a natureopathic physician currently being investigated by the Department. The cases involves scope of practice issues.

B. Approved Schools of Natureopathic Medical Education

Dr. Raistrick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dillman, that pursuant §20-37, only those schools accredited by or in candidacy status with the Council on Natureopathic Medical Education are recognized by the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board submits the following list to the Department of Public Health as being the approved list of natureopathic colleges or institutions from which graduates are eligible for licensure in Connecticut.

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III. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Raistrick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dillman that the meeting be adjourned at 9:14 a.m.
The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on April 28, 2006 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman - *via telephone*
James Dillman - *via telephone*
Jonathan E. Goodman, ND - *via telephone*

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Raistrick at 11:05 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the January 20, 2006 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Dillman made a motion seconded by Dr. Goodman to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

II NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are two cases involving a natureopathic physician currently being investigated by the Department. One of these matters has been referred to the Department's legal office for further review.

III ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Dr. Raistrick that he received an email from Andrew Rubman, ND inquiring as to the Department of Public Health's physician profile web-site. It was questioned why Natureopathic physicians are not included. It was explained by Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor that the legislation that created the physician profile limits it to physicians (MDs and DOs) licensed by chapter 370 of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

Dr. Rubman's email will be forwarded to Mr. Carragher for a response from the Department.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dillman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Goodman, that the meeting be adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on September 15, 2006 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman - *via telephone*
James Dillman - *via telephone*
Jonathan E. Goodman, ND - *via telephone*

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Raistrick at 9:05 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the April 28, 2006 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Raistrick made a motion seconded by Mr. Dillman to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion passed unanimously.

II NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are two cases involving a natureopathic physician currently being investigated by the Department. One of these matters is being reviewed by the Department's Legal Office.

III ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigations asked to address the Board at the December meeting concerning hyperbaric oxygen therapy. Background information concerning this issue will be provided to the Board at next meeting.

Dr. Raistrick mentioned that he received a call from Andrew Rubman, ND concerning the business to business yellow pages. Apparently the yellow page has a category for Natureopathic Physicians with an indicator that State licensure is required. There is a person listed in this category who has a license. There is a second category for Naturopaths, but no indicator that a license is required. No one is listed in this category however.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dillman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Goodman, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners

The Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners held a meeting on December 8, 2006 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman
James Dillman
Jonathan E. Goodman, ND

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Raistrick at 8:45 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the September 15, 2006 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Goodman made a motion seconded by Mr. Dillman to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

II NEW BUSINESS

A. An Act Concerning Patient Protection and Health Care Practitioner Security Fund
Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Legal Office, Department of Public Health (DPH) provided an overview of legislation proposed by the DPH which would establish a confidential program for impaired health care practitioners licensed by the department; provide funding for DPH consultants; and provide funding to the DPH for medical record management in situations in which a practitioner has abandoned a practice. Mr. Peck stated that this legislation would result in a \$10.00 surcharge added to annual license renewals with the monies deposited in a designated fund.

Dr. Goodman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dillman, that the Board support the Department's proposed legislation and to authorize Dr. Raistrick to send a letter of support if requested. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigations reported that it has come to the Department of Public Health's attention that some natureopathic physicians in Connecticut may be performing hyperbaric oxygen therapy. Ms. Filippone indicated that for natureopathic physicians to be allowed to perform this task in Connecticut in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes, Section 20-34, a three-step process must be followed to add this procedure to the natureopathic scope of practice. The Board must determine that this is a task that can be performed by natureopathic physicians; this task must be recognized by the Council on Natureopathic Medical Education; and there must be approval from the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health. Ms. Filippone stated that a review of Board minutes and department files does not indicate that this three-step process was followed despite a 1998 letter written by former chairman Robert Murphy, ND.

This matter will be discussed further at the next Board meeting.

III NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there is one case involving a natureopathic physician currently being investigated by the Department which will be sent to a consultant for review.

B. Meeting Dates 2007

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for 2007:

February 2, 2007

April 27, 2007

September 14, 2007

December 7, 2007

All meetings will be scheduled for 8:30 a.m., at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

IV ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

The Board requested that licensure statistics be reviewed with the Department of Public Health at the next Board meeting.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dillman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Goodman, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:50 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Raistrick, ND, Chairman
Connecticut State Board of Natureopathic Examiners